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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
1301 CONSTITUTION AVE., NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20004

DATE: AUGUST 10, 2018

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0078

CROSS REFERENCE #:

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : TWITTER USER TWEETS A THREAT TO THE EPA ADMINISTRATOR

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Possibly India (South Asia)	Twitter

VIOLATION: 18 U.S.C. 875- Interstate Communications

ALLEGATION:

On March 14, 2017, the Office of Inspector General, Office of Investigations (OI), was notified of a threatening Twitter tweet @ (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated @EPAScottPruitt: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SUMMARY:

Based on the above threat, an OIG Special Agent made an Emergency Disclosure request to Twitter Inc. In response to the OIG Special Agents request, Twitter provided Internet Protocol Addresses (IP) which were traced to Tata Communications in New Delhi, India. Additional investigative steps revealed the following: 1). a person using the name of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) sent the threatening tweet to EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt (former Administrator) and 2). (b) (6) was a former college student at the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

DISPOSITION:

The allegation is "Supported". (b) (6) resides outside of the United States and this case was not prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office.

Based on the location of (b) (6), (b) (7) the recommendation is for the case to be closed pending new leads and/or developments.



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DATE: OCTOBER 31, 2018

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

COMPLAINT#: OI-HQ-2018-THT-0033 **CROSS REFERENCE #:**

TITLE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT: THREATENING EMAIL SENT TO ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
Unknown	Unknown	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @yahoo.com

ALLEGATION:

On October 24, 2017, the Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), received a hotline complaint alleging that an unknown individual using a yahoo email address of "(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @yahoo.com" emailed a concerning message to the EPA Administrator's official government email address.

SUMMARY:

On December 11, 2017, per a request from the OIG, (b) (7)(E) reported no record on file for the email address of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @yahoo.com.

On December 19, 2017, per a request from the OIG, (b) (7)(E) In response to the subpoena, Oath Holdings informed OIG agents that the user account (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @yahoo.com is not a valid Yahoo email address or Yahoo identification at this time.

On June 28th, 2018, the Office of Counsel (OC), OIG, EPA, provided a legal analysis which stated the (b) (5).

DISPOSITION: Based upon the totality of the circumstances, the foregoing allegation is inconclusive. There are no further investigative steps to be taken and this case is recommended for closure. If additional facts become available, the OIG will review and take appropriate investigatory action.



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DATE: November 8, 2018

PREPARED BY: Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-HQ-2018-THT-0075

CROSS REFERENCE #: N/A

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Threatening Voicemail Message on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Personal Cell Phone

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Maryville, MO	

ALLEGATION:

An individual, identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) left a threatening voice mail on the personal cell phone of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of Scott Pruitt, Former Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) message was captured on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) voicemail.

SUMMARY:

On March 30, 2018, Office of Inspector General (OIG) special agents received information that the telephone number of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was associated with the person who left the threatening voicemail on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) voicemail. This phone number was associated with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) who resided at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

On April 19, 2018, OIG special agents from the Chicago Field Office, travelled to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Mr. Pruitt a little while back and left him a voicemail and that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was just mad at the damage Pruitt was doing to the environment, but (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would never hurt Pruitt.

DISPOSITION:

The threat allegation is "Supported". However, the Assistant United States Attorney, National Security Division, United States Attorney's Office, District of Columbia, declined prosecution. Based upon the fore-mentioned information, there are no further investigative steps to be taken and this case is recommended for closure.

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**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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75 Hawthorne Street, 8th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94105

DATE: May 14, 2018

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-SA-2018-THT-0089

CROSS REFERENCE #:

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), BURBANK, CA, POSTED ALLEGED THREATENING
MESSAGE ON EPA ADMINISTRATOR'S FACEBOOK PAGE

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Burbank, CA	

VIOLATIONS:

None.

ALLEGATION: On April 06, 2017, Office of Investigations, Office of Inspector General (OIG), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), San Francisco Field Office, received notification from the EPA Office of Web Communications of a potentially threatening message posted on the Official EPA Administrator's Facebook page. The posting was made by username (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), who posted, "Wow, you sneaky little [two devil emoticons] I'm surprised nobody has shot you in the head yet."

FINDINGS: Office of Counsel, OIG, EPA, reviewed the posting (b) (5) and was not to be further investigated.

DISPOSITION: No further investigative activity is warranted. This case is closed.



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75 Hawthorne Street, 8th Floor
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DATE: October 15, 2018

PREPARED BY: SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CASE #: OI-SA-2018-THT-0110

CROSS REFERENCE #:

TITLE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ANTIOCH, CA: THREATENING EMAILS TO EPA
ADMINISTRATOR

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Antioch, CA	

VIOLATIONS:

18 USC § 875(c): Interstate Communications

ALLEGATION: On June 12, 2018, an investigation was initiated based on the determination that threatening emails submitted by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Antioch, CA, were of a nature requiring further investigative action. The emails received by the EPA reference people on their way to bring harm to Scott Pruitt, (now former) Administrator, EPA, and his family.

FINDINGS: The EPA-OIG Office of Counsel determined (b) (5). The information in the emails and a background of (b) (6) was presented to the US Attorney's Office (USAO) for the Northern District of California, San Francisco, California, who (b) (5). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) admitted to having sent the threatening emails, but denied having knowledge of who was referenced as being en route to harm Pruitt and his family.

DISPOSITION: The findings were provided to the USAO for prosecution consideration. The case was declined (b) (5), (b) (7)(E). EPA Region 9 issued a bar notice for (b) (6). No further investigative activity is warranted. This case is closed.